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HOLD FOR AF/C AND VANCE OOB JUNE 30

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EFIN, CG, US

SUBJECT: FINANCIAL INFORMATION

REF: STATE 152111

1. BISENGIMANA CALLED DCM EVENING JUNE 28 AND ASKED WALKER TO  
COME TO HIS HOME NEXT MORNING TO PICK UP DEBT SERVICE INFORMATION  
PROMISED AMBASSADOR VANCE BY PRESIDENT MOBUTU. DATA FOLLOWS:

RELEVE RECAPITULATIF DES ENGAGEMENTS EXIGIBLES JUSQUAAU 31 DEC 75

USA	Z31,446,047
ITALIE	Z 8,159,626
GRANDE BRETAGNE	Z5,158,750
ALLEMAGNE FED	Z 6,261,259
JAPON	Z 604,998
FRANCE	Z13,043,400
	Z 6,000.000 (SUPPLEMENT)
HOLLANDE	Z 1,304,700
CANADA	Z 7,852,467
BELGIQUE	Z13,990,096
TOTAL GENERALEZ	Z93,821,343

POUR MEMOIRE: L'ENSEMBLE DES SUSPENS EN COURS DU SYSTEME

BANCAIRE REPRESENTE: Z 31,238,000

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2. BISENGIMANA CONFIRMED THAT ABOVE TABLE REPRESENTS SERVICE PAYMENTS ON EXTERNAL PUBLIC DEBT--BOTH DIRECT GOZ DEBT AND INDIRECT DEBT GUARANTEED BY GOZ (FOR EXAMPLE, CONTRACTED BY AIR ZAIRE OR SNEL). BISENGIMANA WAS NOT ABSOLUTELY SURE WHAT THE Z 31.2 MILLION MENTIONED IN FOOTNOTE REPRESENTED, BUT HE AND WALKER AGREED THAT IT WAS TOO SMALL TO BE OUTSTANDING SHORT TERM DEBT DUE UNDER LETTERS OF CREDIT, AND WAS PROBABLY SERVICE PAYMENTS DUE THROUGH END OF THIS YEAR ON MEDIUM AND LONG TERM DEBT CONTRACTED BY PRIVATE ENTITIES THROUGH BANKING SYSTEM (FOR EXAMPLE, GOODYEAR BORROWS TO FINANCE ITS INVESTMENT; GOZ NOT A PARTY TO LOAN).

3. BISENGIMANA FURTHER COMMENTED ON TABLE BY SAYING THAT IN ADDITION TO THE \$250 MILLION DUE FOR DEBT SERVICE BETWEEN NOW AND END 1975 (Z93.2 MILLION ON PUBLIC EXTERNAL DEBT AND Z31.2 MILLION ON PRIVATE EXTERNAL DEBT)--ZAIRE'S FOREIGN EXCHANGE NEEDS FOR ESSENTIAL IMPORTS (FOOD, POL, PHARMACEUTICALS) WOULD BRING TOTAL REQUIRED FOR THIS YEAR TO \$400 MILLION.

4. WALKER ASKED IF ANY OF CREDITORS ON LIST HAD OFFERED HELP. BISENGIMANA REPLIED THAT FRANCE HAD OFFERED TO PUT OFF COLLECTION OF ITS PAYMENTS FOR A YEAR. HE THEN SAID THAT PETRO-DOLLARS WERE AVAILABLE BUT "THERE ARE SO MANY INTERMEDIARIES AND THE TERMS OF THE PROPOSED LOANS SO ONEROUS, THAT I HAVE ADVISED THE PRESIDENT AGAINST IT." WALKER THEN ASKED IF HE HAD A FORECAST OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS THROUGH THE END OF THIS YEAR, AND BISENGIMANA PROMISED TO GET SUCH TO HIM "THIS EVENING OR TOMORROW."

5. MEETING WAS EXCEEDINGLY FRIENDLY THOUGHOUT.  
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